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(a) Applications for restoration of an elector to the registry list pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stats. § 9-42 shall be made under oath. All applications for restoration of an elector to the registry list shall be on a form prescribed by the Secretary of the State. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the registrars from restoring the name of an elector to the registry list pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stats. Sec. 9-42 without the filing of an application for restoration as otherwise hereinafter required, if it appears at any time that the name of such elector was omitted from the registry list by clerical error.

(b) An application for restoration to the registry list may be made in person to a registrar of voters, deputy registrar or assistant registrar at any time and at any place. Such application shall contain evidence of continued bona fide residence from the date such elector's name last appeared on the registry list for one of the four previous years or on one of the preliminary lists for the year in which such application is made to the date such application is made. Such evidence may include a written statement offered by such applicant or another elector, under oath, to prove the continued bona fide residence of the elector, or documentary evidence. Such documentary evidence may include an original or a copy of a deed, lease, homeowners or renters insurance policy, rent receipts, utility bills, library card, drivers license, photo identification card issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles or other state agency, town identification card, or other document showing residence and identity, or in lieu of such document(s) the application may contain a statement by the official to whom it was submitted describing what document(s) was presented at the time the application was submitted. Presentation of one form of valid documentary evidence together with the testimony of the applicant or another elector under oath shall be satisfactory evidence of continued bona fide residence. If the evidence is determined by such registrar, deputy registrar or assistant registrar of voters to satisfactorily prove continued bona fide residence, such official(s) shall add the applicant's name to the registry list.

(c) An application for restoration by an elector to the registry list may be made in person at a polling place on election or primary day. Such application shall be submitted to the registrar(s) (singly in a primary), or assistant registrar(s) (singly in a primary) if the registrar(s) is not present at the polling place, provided the assistant registrar(s) shall contact the registrar(s) to determine whether the elector's name appeared on the registry list for one of the four previous years or on one of the preliminary lists for the year in which such application is made. The elector shall include with such application documentary or testimonial evidence as set forth in subsection (b) of this section. If such evidence is determined by such registrar(s) or assistant registrar(s) of voters to satisfactorily prove continued bona fide residence from the date such elector's name last appeared on the registry list for one of the four previous years or on one of the preliminary lists for the year in which such application is made to the date of the primary or election, such official(s) shall add the applicant's name to the registry list, attach the completed application thereto and the elector shall be permitted to vote.

(d) An application for restoration to the registry list may be made in person to any officer qualified to administer oaths pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stats. § 1-24 and thereafter submitted by the applicant or his authorized agent in person or by mail to the registrar of voters of the town of residence of the applicant. The applicant

shall include with such application documentary or testimonial evidence as set forth in subsection (b) of this section. If the evidence is determined by the registrar of voters to satisfactorily prove continued bona fide residence from the time such elector's name last appeared on the registry list for one of the four previous years or on one of the preliminary lists for the year in which such application is made to the date of such application, the registrar shall forthwith restore the elector's name on the registry list. The registrar shall note on such application his action and the date thereof, and if disapproved, his reasons therefor and shall immediately send written notification of approval or disapproval to the applicant. Any applicant whose application is rejected may appeal under the provisions of section 9-311.

(e) The prescribed form for application for restoration to the registry list shall be in both the English and Spanish languages in affected municipalities, as defined in Section 9-35-1 (a), and shall be available in ample supply from the registrars of voters; in nonaffected municipalities the prescribed form for application for restoration to the registry list may be in the English language only.

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